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RE: Coverdell Forensic Science Grant – Mandatory Reporting of Allegations of Serious Negligence or Misconduct

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Below are the responses of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Drug Analysis Laboratory with respect to the mandatory reporting requirements of the Paul Coverdell Forensic Sciences Improvement Grants to disclose any allegations of serious negligence or misconduct that substantially affected the integrity of forensic results for the time period January 1, 2010 – March 31, 2011.

1. The number and nature of any allegations of serious negligence or misconduct substantially affecting the integrity of forensic results received during the 12-month period of the award  
  
None
2. Information on the referrals of such allegations (e.g., the government entity or entities to which referred, the date of referral)  
  
None
3. The outcome of such referrals (if known as of the date of the report)  
  
Not Applicable
4. If any such allegations were not referred, the reason(s) for the non-referral.  
  
Not Applicable